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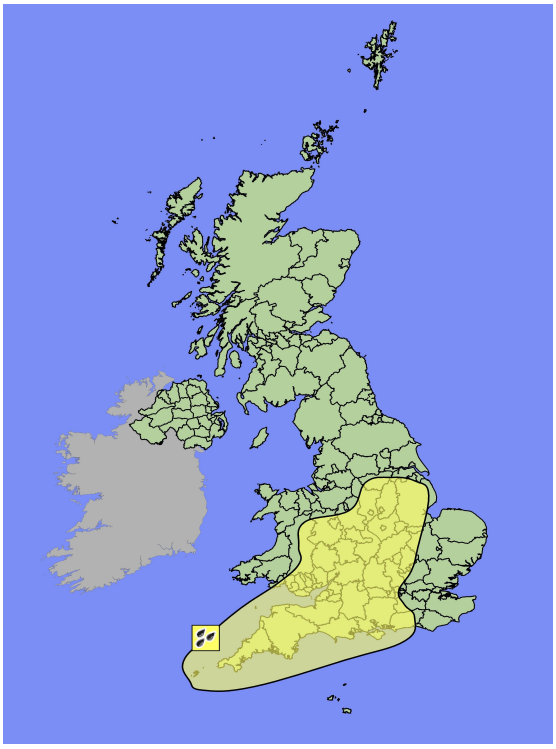

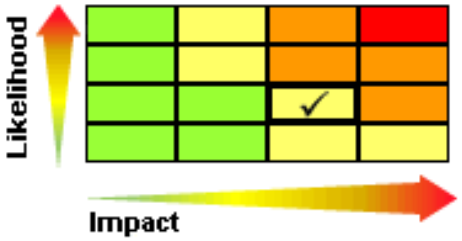

Chief Forecasters Assessment
An area of low pressure is expected to develop and move northeastwards across central England during Thursday morning, bringing with it periods of rain, heavy and prolonged in places. At this stage, the heaviest rain is expected to affect southern and southwest England, the Midlands and more southeastern areas of Wales. Rainfall totals of 15-25 mm are expected fairly widely with as much as 40 mm in places, this mostly falling within 6 hours (some of this will have already fallen across the southwest during Wednesday evening). The exact track of the low is still open to some doubt, but with the potential for heavy rain falling onto already saturated ground, the public should regularly monitor for updates to the warnings.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Rain**

Valid from **00:05 on Thu, 20th Dec 2012** until **18:00 on Thu, 20th Dec 2012**

An area of heavy rain is expected to spread northeastwards across parts of England and Wales during the first part of Thursday.

Given that the ground is already saturated in many areas, the public should be aware of the risk of flooding.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

Issued by the Met Office at 11:45 on Tue, 18th Dec 2012

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